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#### AMENDMENT

Please amend the above-identified patent application as follows. Please substitute the paper copy and computer-readable form of the Sequence Listing filed on December 30, 1999 with the substitute Sequence Listing submitted herewith. This Sequence Listing replaces and supercedes any prior Sequence Listings submitted.

#### REMARKS

In the Office Action, the Examiner has stated that the application contains sequence disclosures and that the application fails to comply with the requirements set forth in 37 C.F.R. §1.821 through §1.825. As specified in the attached Notice to Comply with Requirements for Patent Applications Containing Nucleotide Sequence and/or Amino Acid Sequence Disclosures, the applicants are requested to provide an initial Sequence Listing both as a paper copy and as a computer readable form.

In response, it is brought to the Examiner's attention that a Sequence Listing (both as a paper copy and as a computer readable form) was submitted with the present application upon filing on December 30, 1999 (a copy of the stamped postcard confirming receipt by the PTO is attached). However, to expedite the prosecution and to correct some of the formal defects, applicants have decided to substitute the paper copy and computer-readable form of the Sequence Listing filed on December 30, 1999 with the substitute Sequence Listing submitted herewith. Accordingly, pursuant to the requirements of 37 C.F.R. §1.821 through §1.825 for Sequence Listings, a substitute computer readable form (diskette) and a substitute paper copy containing the

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Sequence Listing are enclosed.

**STATEMENT PURSUANT TO 37 C.F.R. § 1.821**

Enclosed herewith is a substitute computer readable form (diskette) and a substitute paper copy containing sequence disclosure as requested by the Examiner. A copy of the Notice to Comply with Sequence Listing requirements is also enclosed. Pursuant to Rule 821, applicants herein state that the contents of the attached paper entitled "SEQUENCE LISTING" and of the accompanying identically labeled diskette, specifically the ASCII-encoded file therein labeled "seqlist.txt", are identical and that the sequence submission contains no new matter.

**CONCLUSION**

Applicants request entry of the foregoing amendments and remarks in the file history of this application. Applicants respectfully submit that the application is now in compliance with the Sequence Listing Requirements pursuant to 37 C.F.R. §1.821 et seq. Substantive examination of the application is respectfully requested and a favorable determination respectfully solicited.

Dated January 8, 2001

Respectfully submitted,

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